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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
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Takao MIYOSHI et al.) Group Art Unit: 2174
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Application No.: 09/554,065) Examiner: Sy D LUU
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Filed: April 1, 2002)
) Confirmation No.: 8394
For: CHARACTER COMMUNICATION)
DEVICE)

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

In a restriction requirement dated November 2, 2004, the Examiner required restriction under 35 U.S.C. § 121 between Group 1, claims 1-5, 7-10, and 13-26; and Group II, claims 6 and 11-12. Applicants provisionally elect to prosecute Group 1, claims 1-5, 7-10, and 13-26, characterized by the Examiner as being drawn to an on-screen display wherein interactive messages are formed by a participant and submitted to be sent to other participant(s).

Please grant any extensions of time required to enter this response and charge any additional required fees to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: December 2, 2004

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